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A NEW YEAR WELCOME, 1907.

Welcome, thrice welcome, fair New Year,
 Our hearts, our hopes we give to thee;
 Fill all our hearts with earnest cheer,
 Let all our nights untroubled be.
 Bless us, as now we waiting stand,
 While joy-bells chime on either hand.

Welcome, thrice welcome, fair New Year.
 Crown with success the work we do;
 Keep us to right and Heaven near
 And help us to be leal and true.
 So shall thy twelve months passing fast,
 Lead to the King's "Well Done" at last.

Lalia Mitchell.

PHASEOLUS MULTIFLORUS PAPILIO.

VIOLETS IN POTS.

THIS is a new flowering vine familiarly called Butterfly Bean. It is similar to the Scarlet Runner, but the flowers are said to be of superior size, with wavy, snow-white wings, and salmon-rose standards, the two colors making a striking contrast. The flowers appear in long-stemmed clusters, and are followed by big pods filled with large, grayish mottled beans, which are useful as an esculent. The vine is of rapid growth, and will quickly cover a wall, trellis or summer house, making a dense, green covering pleasingly relieved by the lovely flower-clusters. This vine will doubtless become very popular, because it is valuable for its fruit as well as its flowers. It requires the same treatment as the Scarlet Runner Bean.

A WRITER in the English Garden, describes a method of cultivating Violets in pots which he states is successful in producing an abundance of bloom in mid-winter. By this method the plants are bedded out in partial shade in the spring, and allowed to remain in the bed till mid-August. They are then lifted and potted in seven-inch pots, and placed in a cold frame until they become established when they are fully exposed to the air. By this means the roots are confined to the sides of the pot, and the growth of the foliage is retarded, while the development of the buds and blooms is encouraged. Plants thus treated, when given a cool, moist atmosphere become a mass of bloom, and the air of the room becomes redolent with Violet perfume.



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EDITORIAL

CALLA CULTURE.

THE CALLA will thrive under culture that suits a Geranium. It is even more easy to grow than a Geranium, for it does well in a north window where there is little sun, and will bloom there in winter, while the Geranium requires more sun. A Calla, however, should be taken out of the vessel in which it has been long growing, the roots washed, and then repotted in fresh, rich soil, with good drainage. In doing this set it within an inch of the surface. If potted deep it rarely thrives. After the plant blooms and has made its growth give it a cool place and gradually dry it off, until the soil is barely moist. Let it remain so for three weeks, then begin watering. Plants thus treated can hardly fail to grow and bloom satisfactorily.

Ferns Reverting.—A subscriber in Colorado has a Pierson Fern which is reverting to a Boston Fern—losing its plumey character. She wants to know why it is changing. Such a change is common when this Fern is going to bear spores. Cut the plain leaves off, stir the soil, water it with a liquid fertilizer—not too strong, and keep in partial shade. See that the drainage is good, and the roots not crowded. If crowded remove the plant into a larger vessel. Under favorable conditions the Pierson Fern retains its character, and becomes a very beautiful plant.

ABOUT PLATYCODON.

IT IS not generally known that Platycodon is one of the most beautiful and tenacious of our hardy perennials; and it is perhaps less known that seedling plants started early in the spring will bloom the first season. It is not, therefore, a matter of wonder that those who get seeds of this lovely plant, and grow it for the first time, are often agreeably surprised, as the following letter from a sister in the South indicates:

Mr. Editor:—Among the packets of seeds I purchased last spring was one of mixed Platycodon, from which I raised quite a number of plants. They were a surprise to me, for the plants flowered the first summer, and the flowers were so rich and waxy—more like a hothouse flower than a hardy perennial, and each bloom remained perfect so long. I was much pleased with it.

Mrs. N. A. French.

Polk Co., Ark., Dec. 4, 1906.

Now that seed-time is again at hand, in making out the list of seeds to be purchased it would be well to bear in mind the beautiful Platycodon. It is one of the things with which you will be pleased and satisfied.

Clematis.—Clematis Jackmani and its hybrids are not reliable as perennial vines. Often a vine will appear thrifty and healthy one day, and the next day the leaves will wither and the whole vine will die. Various reasons have been suggested for this peculiar fault, but none have been generally accepted. The smaller flowered species are mostly more tenacious and lasting. Once established they will hold their own for years. Propagation is effected by seeds, which should be sown in the fall, while the seeds are fresh. If they become dried they will not germinate in less than one or two years, if at all. The plants delight in partial shade, and should have support duly provided. Cut the tops back early in spring, to insure a liberal growth and bloom during the summer.

A Fungus.—A subscriber from California sends leaves of a Begonia and Fuschia, and claims that they are affected with an insect which defies tobacco in any form, soapsuds, flea-powder and bluestone. Under a strong microscope the leaves did not show any insects, but they were badly affected by a kind of fungus, which made the leaves appear blistered, whitish, and gave them a shining surface. The best remedy is to cut away the affected leaves and burn them, and apply to the surface soil a quantity of flowers of sulphur. Treated in this way the disease may soon disappear.

Fall-planting of Sweet Peas.—In the South Sweet Peas may be planted in the Fall, and the young plants partially protected from the alternate freezing and thawing that sometimes occur during the Winter. At the North planting should be deferred till late winter or early spring. Avoid deep planting, and see that the soil is rather sandy and the drainage good. A frame covered with glass is generally the most effective protection.

POT TRELLISES.

Two easily made pot trellises are indicated in the little engravings. Figure 1 is made of wood with little cross-pins. A piece of half-inch board of tough wood has five holes bored in it in which to place the cross-pins, then six incisions are made with the saw, and the parts are spread apart and the cross-pins put in and fastened with brads. That is all there is of it, and the trellis can be painted and placed. Green is the most inconspicuous color. The other trellis



is made of tough wooden uprights and rungs, as though you were making a miniature ladder; then the whole is bound together with broom wire, as shown in figure 2. These trellises are useful for such vines as Boston Smilax, Parlor Ivy, Lygodium scandens, Lopesia rosea and Abutilon Mesopotamicum. Large trellises, for lawn vines, may be made in the same way.

Fern Pest.—From New Hampshire comes a complaint about a Fern pest. It is small, appearing as a speck upon the leaf, which shrivels and turns brown in affected parts. The ferns are dying from the ravages of the pest, and a remedy is asked for. The pest is what is known as the red spider, though it is more often a black and a transparent green than red. To get rid of it wash or sponge the leaves on both sides with soap suds twice a week, rinsing with pure water after using the suds. Fronds that are badly affected should be cut off and burned. New, clean fronds will soon develop and take the places of those removed. Tender Ferns affected must be dipped or syringed. They will not bear washing or sponging.

Lice and Flies.—The white lice that sometimes infest soil in pots may be destroyed by allowing the soil to become almost dry, then applying hot tobacco tea in a weak state until it runs out at the drainage hole in the bottom for several minutes. The water should be slightly warmer than the hand will bear, but not boiling. The same remedy may be used to eradicate the "little blue flies" that sometimes trouble the foliage, but must be applied with a good syringe.

Non-blooming Morning Glories.—There has been much complaint of the Clustered Morning Glory not blooming the past summer. The La Park vines were not an exception. It is thought that the damp, warm weather kept the vines growing so vigorously that they failed to set buds. The non-blooming of this, the most beautiful of all Morning Glories, is a new experience, and it is hoped that the past year was an exceptional one, and that the vines the coming season will bloom freely, as in previous years.

GROWING TUBEROSES.

TUBEROSES do well in the Southern States, and can be grown with profit by those who engage in the industry. The bulblets are removed and planted out in the spring as soon as the ground is warm, being set five or six inches beneath the surface. The ground should be rather sandy. Keep well cultivated. A covering of manure or fertilizer stirred in will be found beneficial. In autumn, before frost comes, lift and dry the bulbs, and sort them into three sizes, excluding such as have bloomed, if any. They are then ready for sale. Any bulblets found on the bulbs should be removed and kept for planting the next season. The bulbs are easily wintered in a warm, dry room. Avoid a damp or chilly place, as it will cause the flower germs to decay. The Double Dwarf Pearl Tuberose is the most popular and saleable variety.

Kenilworth Ivy.—There is no basket plant that excels the Kenilworth Ivy for a densely shaded window, and it seems strange that it is not more popular. It is easily raised from seeds, and every little plant will become a dense, graceful mass of drooping foliage sprays, set off with delicate little flowers. A Sister in Arkansas is pleased with it, and writes under date of December 4, as follows:

Mr. Editor:—A year ago last spring I sowed a little packet of seeds of Kenilworth Ivy, and had plants to divide with friends, keeping a basketful for myself. Such a beauty as that basket was! All summer it decorated the front porch, and all winter it hung in a north window. The past summer it again hung on the porch. It bloomed all the time, and was beautiful. Mrs. N. A. French.

Polk Co., Ark., Dec. 4, 1906.

Enquiry is often made for a basket vine that will thrive in a dense shade, and the Kenilworth Ivy just meets that want. Simply keep it well watered. It would seem that there need be no lack of drooping vines for shady windows or porches, when three cents will buy seeds enough for a number of baskets or bracket pots.

Japanese Beetle.—A correspondent from Hawaii, writes under date of November 14, 1906, as follows:

Dear Mr. Editor:—The Japanese Beetle and other pests have destroyed our gardens, and I am advising the neighbors to convert their broad verandas into conservatories by enclosing them (at night) with netting, blinds or curtains.

T. W. Bartholff.

We thus see that in the delightful climate of Hawaii, where the mercury rarely falls below 60°, and rarely rises above 90°, where vegetation is perpetual, they have insect pests to fight as well as in the more rigorous and changeable climate of our North American States. It would have been interesting to know more about the pests of that far distant colony. If not troubled by insects the Tea Roses, as a class, would certainly thrive and bloom well in Hawaii. Acalyphas, Heliotrope, Smilax and Geraniums ought also to do well.

EDITORIAL LETTER.

HY DEAR FRIENDS:—Every year the European seedsmen offer a list of novelties in seeds, giving extravagant descriptions of flowers newly discovered, or flowers improved by careful selection and cultivation, or by hybridization, etc. The majority of these novelties are of little value, and are not worthy of consideration. Some, however, are of superior merit, and will become popular in later years, when their value becomes known.

It is not an easy matter to make a selection of the good from the novelties listed and glowingly described, but that the readers of the Magazine may have some knowledge of the new flowers offered, the following are noted as the most beautiful and desirable: Chrysanthemum *inodorum*, Bridal Robe. This is a dwarf, erect variety of the biennial Chrysanthemum *inodorum*. It is distinct, of compact habit, grows ten inches high, and bears double, white flowers about the size of a large Double Daisy. The flowers are useful for cutting, as they last well in water. The plants are recommended for bedding purposes. If started early in the spring they will bloom in late autumn, but in growing this Chrysanthemum the finest plants and flowers are produced by starting the plants later in spring, and thus having them to come in bloom early the next season. The new sort is also recommended as a pot-plant.

Papaver *Paeony*-flowered Admiral:—This is a single Poppy, the color pure, silky white with a broad, distinct brilliant scarlet margin as indicated in the engraving. The flowers come nearly true from seeds, and are showy in the garden, as well as excellent for cutting for table vases. Grown in a bed or group this Poppy is said to be very effective. The seeds should be

POPPY ADMIRAL. sown where the plants are to bloom. The first display would be produced by fall sowing.

Impatiens *Holsti*, New Hybrids:—Two years ago Impatiens *Holsti* was introduced. It is much like *I. Sultani*, but is of rather stronger growth, and has vermillion-scarlet flowers. The new Hybrids offered ^{1.} *HOLSTI*, NEW HYBRIDS. this year bear flowers of various colors, from

white with a red eye to rich carmine and violet. This *Impatiens* is easily grown from seeds, is an excellent pot plant, blooming throughout the winter, and blooms freely in the garden in summer. I believe the new Hybrids will be found valuable, and worthy of popular cultivation. The engraving indicates the form and various shades of the flower.

Papaver *Orientale* Colosseum:—By careful selection a race of Oriental Poppies has been developed which shows flowers of rich dark scarlet, every flower

measuring eight inches or more across. These are held on stiff stems above the elegant plume P. *ORIENTALE* *COLOSSEUM*. foliage, and in their season are wonderfully attractive and beautiful. The color is further displayed by a jet black blotch at the base of each petal. The seeds offered of this novelty are saved only from flowers measuring over 20 inches in circumference.

Cheiranthus *Kewensis*:—The Wallflower is becoming more popular every year, and the new one offered as a novelty has the desirable

quality of flowering the first season. The flowers are borne in spikes; the buds are brown, and the open flowers sulphur, passing gradually into orange or purple violet. It blooms for a long time, and is recommended as a pot plant for winter blooming in a

CHEIRANTHUS *KEWENSIS*. cool room. For this purpose sow in July, and the plants will begin to bloom in November. Sown in the spring they will bloom in autumn.

Dianthus *Laciniatus* *Mirabilis* fl. pl.—In 1905 the single flower of this Japanese Pink was introduced. The double is far more showy and effective, however, being double to the centre from three to four inches across, and borne on stiff, upright stems. The colors range from pure white through various shades to dark purplish red, including finely striped varieties. The plants

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Rehmannia Angulata, Pink—A pink-colored variety of this perennial from Central China. The flowers are not unlike a Pentstemon in form but are of a rich pink color, with a distinct pale throat with variable markings. This is a half-hardy perennial, and must be grown in pots at the North, or well protected during the winter. The

REHMANNIA ANGULATA, PINK Rehmannia has been grown in England for several years, and is highly praised by English florists. It deserves a trial.

UTILIZING WILD FLOWERS.

IT IS well-known that many of our native plants and vines grow in shady places, and seem to thrive and bloom without any care; but few persons think of making use of these things provided by Nature, when ornamenting the home grounds. A Southern sister is an exception, however, and here is her letter, telling about it:

Mr. Editor:—The earth had washed away from the roots of a small oak tree in our front yard, and the limbs had commenced dying. To save the tree I placed a circle of brick around it, taking in all the naked roots. This circle was filled with very rich earth, rotted leaves and manure, packing it down well. Then, inside the first circle I made another, filling it with the rich earth; then a third circle inside the second was filled. The outer circle is seven or eight feet across, the second about eighteen inches or two feet smaller, and the third about eighteen inches smaller than the second. In the smaller circle, next to the tree, I planted wild ferns; in the other two wild violets, and other wild flowers, which I found growing in shady places. One kind which we call blue flag, is prettiest. The bed was a thing of beauty and a joy all summer, and the tree has taken a new lease on life.

Mrs. Sallie West.

Winston Co., Ala., Dec. 8, 1906.

We thus see a little forethought and labor saved a handsome native tree, and turned a barren waste into a thing of beauty. No money expenditure was required.

Crocuses Not Blooming.—When Crocuses fail to bloom it is mostly due to getting the bulbs too late in the season. They should be ordered and planted early in autumn—at least not later than November 1. If kept out of the ground till late in autumn the bulbs may not bloom for several years, if at all.

Seed Incubator.—Mr. Templin, of Cleveland, a reliable horticulturist of experience, has invented a Seed Incubator, which promises to be just the thing for the amateur florist in which to start early plants, etc. It is, as he says, a perfect little propagating house, and will be valuable for rooting cuttings, as well as starting seeds. The principle of the device is good, and I believe it will fill a place in gardening that has heretofore been vacant.



GIANT SNAPDRAGON.

THE GIANT SNAPDRAGONS are always a source of wonder and delight to those who grow them for the first time, and I would advise my friends to not omit seeds of them when making out their orders, unless they already have a supply. The flowers are as rich and well marked as Colceolarias, and always excite enthusiastic praise. Here is a report on these flowers by a Kansas sister:

Mr. Editor:—A year ago last spring I got a three-cent paper of Giant Snap-dragon seeds and made two sowings. Not one came. Then I sowed the third time and every seed came, but something ate all of them but three plants. Those grew, and two of them bloomed, but did not seed; so I wintered the plants, and last season they grew and bloomed and were Giants, indeed! One plant was as tall as myself, and the flowers were the largest Snapdragons I ever saw, with very old markings on two. The other was a canary yellow. Everyone noticed

the flowers. I hope to have some next year.

L. H. Godfrey.

Cowley Co., Kan., Dec. 4, 1906.

Just here let me call attention to this sister's experience in starting seeds. The first and second sowing were failures, while the third was an entire success. This serves to illustrate what I have always advised—the need of making three sowings of a packet of seeds before condemning them. It serves, also, to show the reward of patience in gardening, and the wisdom of the oft-repeated adage—“Try, try again”.



Schizanthus Wisetonensis.

This is a splendid plant for pots, the butterfly-like flowers being of good size, and of brilliant colors with rich markings. It is of easy culture from seeds, and each plant becomes a handsome bush, literally covered with the orchid-like bloom. This is not entirely new, having been introduced in Great Britain several years ago. It is rare, however, and has been so highly praised by the English horticultural papers that it should be given a trial. It is popular in England as a pot plant for florists' sales. It is said to bloom well in the window in winter. For winter blooming start the plants in mid-summer, pot in small pots, and shift into larger pots, three plants to the pot. When in six-inch pots you will have a fine display for the window.



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CHILDREN'S LETTER.



MY DEAR CHILDREN:—Have you ever thought why it is that our little song-birds and useful winter birds are so shy? Why they will fly as soon as you approach them, and why they will often hide behind a clump of leaves or twigs when you are trying to get a good view of them? Well, I will tell you. From the earliest recorded period of time man has been their natural enemy. In this country the natives (Indians) lived chiefly upon game, and with their bows and arrows they did not spare any living creature. Like many cruel men and boys at the present time, they doubtless killed great numbers of our song-birds simply to try their skill as marksmen. Then the pioneers of this country, who got much of their living in the same way, were guilty of the same cruelty. What was more, the clearing of the land concentrated the birds, and exposed them to enemies of various kinds. Cats were brought in by settlers, and these destroyed birds that nested near the house to get rid of hawks and crows and squirrels. And still more, many of the pioneers' boys killed birds "for fun," the use of the gun being more common in early days than at the present time. But the old barbaric custom of hunting, taking the lives of God's innocent creatures simply to satisfy an evil, blood-thirsting propensity, has not been entirely eliminated from the nature of man, with all of his enlightening advantages. In pioneer days there was an excuse for hunting and securing game in the mountains and forests. Today hunting is merely regarded as sport. The time spent is never rewarded by the game secured.

"with their bows and arrows"



Sport! How degraded the thought and feeling of a man or boy who can delight in the writhing agony of a poor little crippled song-bird. Is it sport, dear boys, to cause suffering and pain to the innocent creatures found in field and forest? Is it sport to see the noble deer, formed so gracefully, and so fleet and

"poor little crippled song-bird."

nimble in action, hobble off maimed and tortured with pain after the cruel shot of the hunter, leaving a stream of blood in its trail? Is it sport to wound the little rabbit, which has its right to live as well

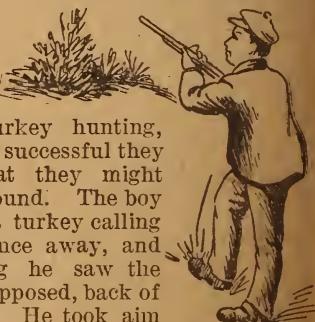
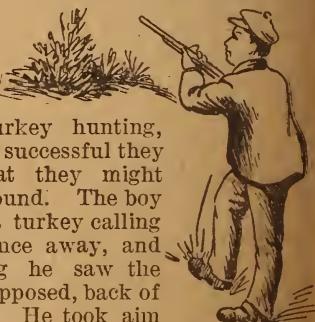


"among the brush to suffer and die."

as we, and have it crawl off among the brush to suffer and die? Some who do these things claim to be Christians—to follow in the footsteps of Him who, on earth went about doing good—who was the very personification of love and kindness and sympathy, who said "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy." Is the claim of "Christian" consistent?

My Dear Children, cruelty, selfishness and meanness are largely due to habit. They grow in the heart where the evil seeds are started, just as the weeds develop in the garden among the flowers; and they will choke out good thoughts, good desires, and good actions, "just as the weeds develop," just as the weeds will choke out the flowers. To develop the better nature make pets of all animals with which you come in contact; avoid selfishness, and be kind to those about you; cultivate a forgiving spirit, and never allow the weeds of malice, hatred and revenge to creep into your nature to develop and grow until they dominate your heart and life.

I look with regret upon the kind of literature that is prepared for boys. It is this, oftentimes, that sows the evil seeds. Not only are the books thrilling accounts of hunting expeditions, narrow escapes from wild animals, records of wonderful marksmanship, or stories of war, but the periodicals published for boys are of the same character. They fill the boys' minds with ideas of sportsmanship, gunning and war. They familiarize the young minds with deeds of cruelty, without calling attention to their enormity. I recently saw a copy of some popular boys' paper with a title page showing two boys apparently fifteen years old, each with a gun, one pointed toward a turkey gobbler in the distance. The scene is not real, as any turkey hunter knows, but it inspires in boys ideas of sportsmanship, and incites them to deeds of cruelty, to say the least. Let me tell you the experience of a boy—a good boy—who I loved as a son. He went to the mountain with a neighbor who understood turkey hunting, and to be more successful they separated, that they might cover more ground. The boy at last heard a turkey calling at some distance away, and after watching he saw the game, as he supposed, back of a little thicket. He took aim and fired, and ran to know the result. Alas! He found his friend with blood streaming from his forehead. His first thought was to take his own life, for he did not want to live, if the shot was fatal. But he heard his friend's voice: "John, you have given me a close call, but it



is only a skin wound, and will soon be better. Never mind it. I guess we had better go home." And they went. Sad, sad indeed would have been that hunting expedition, had the bullet done its work, and two homes been bereaved, one of a faithful husband and father, the other of a beloved son. They were simply putting into practice the "sport" suggested by the title page of the boys' paper. Looking further into the contents I found at least one-third of the reading matter about war and thrilling gunning adventures, with illustrations of boys with guns, knives, etc.; and there were in the advertising columns eight illustrated advertisements showing dangerous fire arms, mostly in the hands of boys.

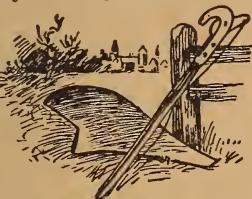
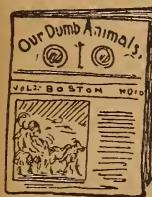
How different the contents of "Dumb Animals," the monthly paper published by Mr. Angel, at Boston. That little paper abounds with beautiful illustrations of animal life, accounts of deeds of kindness, and poetry inciting love for and humane treatment of dumb animals. I regret that

it cannot be in the hands of every boy and girl in the land every month. It would exert a powerful influence for good upon the rising generation, and promote peace and happiness in the years to come. The editors of boys' papers could do a great work for God and humanity by instilling in the minds of the young readers the principles of love, kindness, gentleness and true manliness, rather than hate, cruelty, bravado and sordid selfishness.

My Dear Boys, have nothing to do with war stories. They will only incite you to cruelty, make you deprecate human life, and create a thirst for bloody excitement. I do not believe in war. It is a relic of barbarous ages. When people become properly enlightened national disputes will be settled by arbitration and a national court, just as disputes among our worthy American citizens are settled today. Then will come the time we read of, when spears will be beaten into pruning hooks and swords into plow shares, and the people will learn war no more. Your friend,

LaPark, Pa., Dec. 6, 1906. The Editor.

Ants. — A correspondent from Virginia writes that ants are ruining his lawn, and he asks for a remedy. If he will get some fresh meat bones at the butcher's and place where the ants congregate, they will act as traps. Once or twice a day take a bucket of boiling water with you and dip the infested bones in, then replace them. The water will kill the ants in an instant, and in a few days the lawn will be rid of them.



"The time we read of."

CLIMBING PLANTS



GOURD VINES.

AMONG some plants, from seeds bought of Mr. Park and planted after mid-summer, there sprang up a tiny plantlet, evidently a vine, slender, with Gourd-like leaves and stems and tendrils. The stems and leaves were rough and hairy, the leaves were deeply lobed. The plantlet was transferred to a three-inch pot, and set on a stand with some red Geraniums and forgotten, until one day, some three weeks afterwards, I fancied I saw a white flower among the red Geraniums, and hastened there to see what it could be. I saw a white flower upon which I gazed with bated breath—it was so purely white, so exquisitely lovely, and long I gazed. After a time I perceived that the flower came from the Gourd-like vine, which had grown up among the Geraniums. "Can such things be?" I thought, "and overcome us without our special wonder." A Gourd vine to produce a flower so delicate and beautiful as the one before me seemed impossible. Yet, there was the proof—there was the vine, and fair flower before me.

The flower would have measured probably an inch or more across. There were five lobes, snowy white, the edge of each adorned with a fine fringe, over half an inch long, fine and silky as a spider's thread, and the threads were branched and intermingled in their snowy whiteness, and were firmer than the spider's threads. The stamens were white like the corolla. The vine grew to be three feet long, and continued to bloom until frost. Fruit did not form from the blossoms. I would be pleased to learn the name of this plant.

Ada Gist.
Mason Co., W. Va., Jan. 29, 1906.

[ANS.—The Dipper Gourd and its near relatives have fringed white flowers which emit a pleasant musk odor. They are valuable for their flowers as well as their fruit.—Ed.]

Vines and Shrubbery.—Vines throw a charm alike over the humblest dwelling and the stateliest mansion. They hide unsightly places with their beauty, and give gracefulness to plain angles. They are easily grown and require little care; no lawn or house is complete without vines of some sort. Plant them in a rich mellow soil, and in the fall put some well-rotted manure around the roots. In the spring dig this well into the soil; keep the weeds and grass from growing near, as they have a tendency to choke the growth. Wire fencing makes an excellent support for vines around the veranda.

M. Maud Wright.

Carroll Co., Ohio, Nov. 17, 1906.

FLORAL POETRY

LEAF-BIRDS.

When summer moons have waxed and waned
And wintry winds the fight have gained;
Before ice-king the earth hath chained,
The leaves are locked in sleep.

They say—those ancient of our land,
Who roamed the hills from strand to strand,
Could nature's mysteries understand,
In their 'Great-Spirit's' keep.

He sighed when mother-trees soft grieved;
Of their leaf-children were bereaved,
And quickly he their loss retrieved
That they no more should weep!

"Come, yellow leaf!" She heard him call,
And forthwith flew canary small.
See one, before she had her fall,
A golden oriole peep.

"Come, red and brown!" he said, "Come hither!"
He pinned red-breast, brown wings together.
"You must be brave in frosty weather!"
So robins keen air sweep!

Then brown and dun, he sent alone.
Some flew so high in the blue ozone,
They caught from heaven their azure tone.
And spring-time hears the Blue-bird cheep!

In wintry hours our hopes can soar,
E'en when the air grows cold and hoar;
The blue enfolds them more and more,
As trysts with heaven they keep!
Portland, Ore. *Louisa Ahmuthy Nash.*

WINTER FLOWERS.

June went, and with her went the Roses;
The Lily perished in July,
October bleached the Golden-rod,
November saw the Gentian die.

And when December came at last
And shook the Elm-tree's massive tower
With the fierce fury of his breath,
He found not one remaining flower.

But tho' the blossoms of the field
In snow are covered up and lost,
Upon my window-panes I see
The lovely flowers of the frost.

And while the sky is gray as lead,
And while the west wind bleakly blows,
I see in fancy reproduced,
The Lily, Violet and Rose.

What matter then the bird and bee have flown,
And earth itself is dumb,
Since on the frosted glass I see
The incense of summer come?
Windham Co., Vt. *Arthur H. Goodenough.*

SEEDS OF KINDNESS.

Oh! be not slow to help the downhearted;
A kind word unspoken we often regret.
A kind look, or hand-clasp, will cost us but little,
And it's something that others may never forget.

This life is a road that but once we may travel,
And it's often uneven and rough for the feet;
But how wondrously light, sometimes, seems our
burden,
If we get a kind look from the ones that we meet.

Then, oh! be not chary of kind looks and actions;
Scatter them broadcast wherever you go.
The seeds of good deeds bring the flowers of blessings,
And in the hereafter they'll blossom and grow.
Erie Co., N. Y. *Ellen Kent.*

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Happy New Year! Bonny Baby,
With your darling dimpled face,
May the New Year keep you safely,
Giving daily, added grace;
May a mother's love be round you,
Shielding from each danger near,
While her gentle songs shall soothe you,
All this glad and golden year.

Happy New Year! Youth and Maiden,
May your paths with bloom be bright,
As you wander through Love's garden,
Sharing every dear delight;
May the Spring-time give you pleasure,
And the Autumn bring you cheer,
As you blend your songs of gladness,
All this gay and golden year.

Happy New Year! Man and Woman,
In your strength and striving grand,
As you make the home more lovely,
As you cultivate the land;
As you rise to higher stations,
Freely, with no doubt or fear
For the future; may you prosper
All this good and golden year.

Happy New Year! Aged Ones, feeble,
Clasping hands the Homeward way,
May your hearts be still as loving
As upon your marriage day;
May you look beyond earth's shadows,
To the brightness coming near,
From the open Gates Celestial,
All this grand and golden year.

Ruth Raymond.

Bradford Co., Pa., April 4, 1906.

THE HAZEL BLOOM.

I have roamed through many countries,
Through heat and cold and rains;
I have climbed the Rocky Mountains,
I have crossed the sandy plains,
I have gathered fragrant flowers
In the snowy Northern clime,
On the banks of Southern rivers
I have plucked the scented Thyme.

I have seen the thorny Cactus,
With its gaudy bloom so rare,
The stalwart Spanish dagger,
With its waxen cups so fair.
I have seen the rose-tree bending,
And its wealth of fragrance strew,
The dainty Lady Slipper,
With its sparkling gem of dew.

But of all the flowers gathered,
Admired and cast away,
I find in my affections,
One little flower holds sway.
Its tints are not the brightest,
Of fragrance it has none;
But to me it is the dearest,
That blooms beneath the sun.
Far around my childhood clambered
The hazel bushes tall,
And their tiny, modest blossoms
Are the dearest bloom of all.

Mrs. C. V. Adams.

Cassia Co., Idaho, July 5, 1906.

INDIAN PIPE.

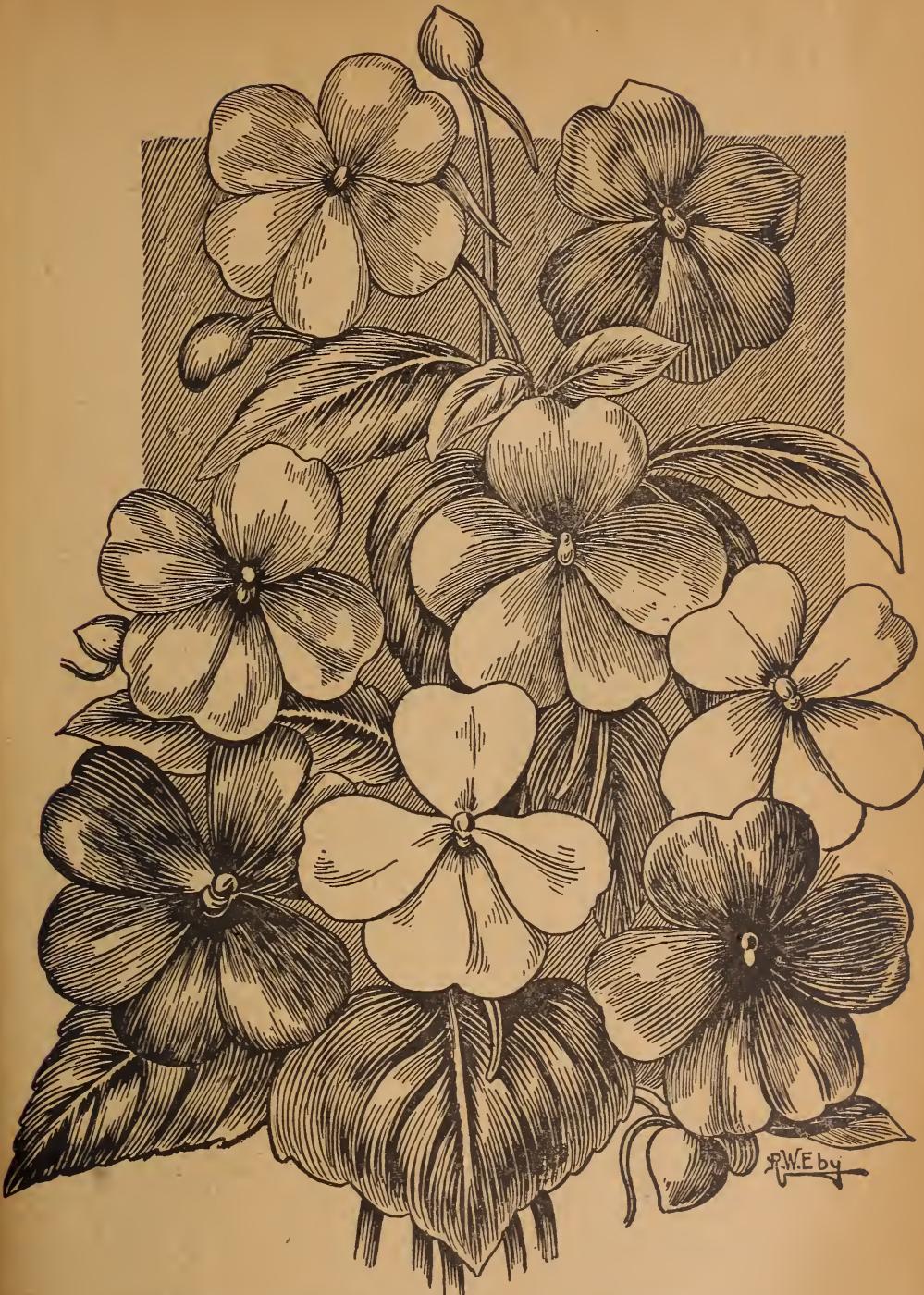
I wonder if this is the pipe
Beloved of sylvan Pan,
Or is it but a ghost of bloom
And bearing Flora's ban?

Methinks the woodland god has passed
And happily lingered here;
This is the pipe he left to bloom
Among the mosses sere.

Or yet, perchance, he sped in flight
And left the smoking clay
To grow among the piny woods
And blossom for a day.

Charles Henry Chesley.

Rockingham Co., N. H., July 5, 1905.

**NEW HYBRIDS OF IMPATIENS HOLSTII.**

WO TWO YEARS AGO a beautiful Balsam (*Impatiens Holstii*), found in the wilds of East Africa, was introduced by German Florists, who obtained from Prof. Dr. Engler, Director of the Royal Botanic Garden at Berlin, at that time seeds of a number of hybrids. These were sown, and the plants carefully hybridized with other species and varieties, until this season a race of those African Balsams has been fixed, and the varieties offered, as follows: Vermilion scarlet, rosy white, white with red center, deep purplish violet, bright carmine, yellowish rose and orange vermillion. The plants and flowers are not unlike those of the Zanzibar Balsam, *Impatiens Sultani*. They are of easy culture from seeds, and do well either in pots or beds. The flowers are of delicate texture, brilliant in color, and showy. The plants prefer partial shade in summer. They bloom freely in the window in winter.

GARDEN & CULTURE



OLD-FASHIONED PINKS.

QUIET a number of people here have a variety of pinks that I have never heard called by any name except Old-fashioned Pink. It retains its leaves and color very late, being almost an evergreen. It is perfectly hardy, requiring no protection whatever. The color of the foliage is a light, dull, grayish green, very much like Carnations. The bloom is very double, a light, soft pink, fringed and sweet. There are usually several buds on one flower stalk, but only one or two blooming at the same time.

When we moved here two years ago I was delighted to find a circular bed, about two feet in diameter, of these Pinks. The yard is well filled with oak trees, but this bed was where it got the afternoon sun. The soil is stiff yellow clay. The weather has been unusually dry, and the greater part of the time that bed has been as hard and dry as a bone. Yet it has increased until it is now nearly a yard in diameter, and has bloomed freely in spring and early summer. If our summers had not been so dry, I imagine the blooming season would have been prolonged, as the flowers were produced more freely after a shower.

No fertilizer has been used. I tried to loosen the ground, but found I could not without injuring the plants, as they form a dense mat completely covering the ground. The only care they have had is to keep the grass and weeds pulled out. This is easily done on account of their habit of thick, close growth. The plant is a very desirable one for growers. I have read that Pinks like a hard, clay soil, and dislike to be disturbed. If such is the case, my pinks should be happy, and they are certainly flourishing. I have never noticed any seeds, and do not know of any method of propagation except by dividing the roots.

Cook Co., Ill., July 3, 1906. Subscriber.

[NOTE:—*Dianthus plumarius* is the botanical name of what is known as Old-fashioned Pink and Garden Pink. The very double flowers have no seeds, but single and semi-double flowers bear an abundance, and many plants raised from these seeds produce double flowers. They are easily grown from seeds.—Ed.

Chrysanthemums.—The Mrs. Henry Robinson is one of the finest white Chrysanthemums. It is a late bloomer.

New Boston, Ill. J. G. Quinlan.

Candytuft.—Do all know what a dear little annual the Candytuft is? If not allowed to seed, it will bloom and bloom all summer. It is very compact, neat in habit, really nicer for all, excepting fragrance, than the Verbena. It is an ideal annual where low growth is desired.

Mrs. E. C.

Vermilion Co., Ind., Aug. 10, 1906.

LETTER ABOUT PERENNIALS.

Dear Mr. Editor:—

LAST year's planting of perennials is this year's blossoming. I wonder why we women who delve in the earth for our pleasure do not pay greater attention to perennial plants? They return so much for the pittance invested. My last year's row of Platycodon has been a marvel of beauty this season. The slender seedlings grew bushy, with fat, balloon-like buds which later burst into large, bluebell-like blossoms. They flare more than do the Campanulas.

My row of Multiflora Sunflowers was a surprise. A straight stalk five feet high, set thickly from bottom to top with equal sized flowers, makes a show of brightness seldom found in the garden. I know of no other variety of Helianthus to compare with this one. Not top-heavy, as is usual, the flowers balancing each other, and all alike. Fitly named, indeed, the "Many flowered".

Verbesina, sown early, was up and doing when six inches high. It bears yellow Aster-like flowers, lasting the entire season. Too much wet or too dry seems not to daunt its passion for blooming.

There are two edging plants in my border which I could not well spare: Plumbago Largent, dark blue, and Phlox subulata, bright rose. I like this combination. I like to see these clean, foliated plants run riot in my sandy soil, which seems to suit their utmost needs.

I value highly the clump of Sweet Clover at the farther end of my perennial border. The white blossom is fine for vases, mingled with Coreopsis. The fragrance is the most delightful of all Nature's sweets.

(Made into an ointment, Sweet Clover has an unsurpassed healing quality for bruises, cuts, chaps and "sores" of any kind. Melt two pounds of mutton suet, and add as much sweet-clover-blooms and all—as it will take up. Strain and add $\frac{1}{4}$ pound of rosin and 1 pound of beeswax. Melt together and box. It will be green in color, and of the same delightful odor as the growing leaves.)

Lydia W. Baldwin.

Milford, Del., Sept. 26, 1906.

Shrubs.—Shrubs are more effective where there is considerable lawn space, but if properly planted they will add effect to even the ordinary lawn. They should never be planted so close together as to give the lawn a cluttered look. I have seen some small lawns completely spoiled by an over-abundance of shrubs, and a charming effect given to others by studied arrangement of a few desirable shrubs. Nature is a good school to go to when planting shrubs, for nature is never stiff or inartistic. Tall shrubs should always be planted in the background, while the smaller varieties should have a place in the foreground. Shrubs should have good soil. If they bloom very early in the spring they should be pruned in the fall, for the spring-pruning would destroy the flower buds.

M. Maud Wright.

Carroll Co., Ohio, Nov. 17, 1906.

POT CULTURE

RAISING ASPARAGUS FROM SEEDS.

WE SOAK the seeds of Decorative Asparagus in very warm water for twenty-four hours before sowing, and have started Asparagus Sprengerii in eight days, by treating in this manner: Use a light, rich, spongy soil, taken from an old barn yard. Barely cover the seeds, and sprinkle with a whisk broom dipped in water as warm as the hand will stand. Then place in the sun and keep damp. The use of very warm water forces the sprouts to start a week or ten days earlier than when cared for in the usual manner.

When started stir the soil well around the roots, using a stiff, wire hair-pin, and being careful to avoid hurting the roots. Very rich soil is apt to dry out quicker than other soil, and should be sprinkled oftener.

Transplant while the plants are only two or three inches high. Put some charcoal in the bottom of the pots, fill with rich, spongy soil. Leaf-mould, when obtainable, is the best of soil for Asparagus. Moss and a light sprinkling of sand may be placed around the roots, after transplanting. Use a liquid fertilizer occasionally.

A Sprengerii and Plumosus nanus both do well in the dry air of a living room, but extreme heat will cause the latter to droop and die. It is especially necessary to spray foliage during the winter months, as the dust spoils the plant and retards growth.

Lavilla Macomber.

Green Co., Wis., Sept. 5, 1906.

Two Good Begonias.—If anyone wants two good winter-blooming Begonias, they cannot do better than get Verschafelti and Gilsoni. The leaves of both are shaped somewhat like the Castoroil bean, but of course much smaller. The foliage of Verschafelti is bright green, and the flowers are in very large clusters, thrown up high above the foliage. Gilsoni has dark, brownish green leaves, with wide veins of lighter green on upper side. The under side and the stems are dark red. The flowers bloom in spikes, and are green and Salmon-pink. It must be much like B. heracleifolia.

Emma Woods.

Morgan Co., Ill., June 15, 1906.

Staghorn Fern.—Those who care for Ferns would never be without this if they knew of its worth. I bought one last summer and now it is a beauty. The fronds are a silvery gray, and glisten splendidly. It is a peculiar-looking Fern, unlike any other, but is a true Fern.

Mrs. J. T. Frost.

Lynbrook, L. I., Aug. 30, 1906.

A SATISFACTORY ROSE.

FRANCISCA KRUGER is a very satisfactory Rose. It is of a beautiful, coppery yellow color, and is very free blooming.

Two years ago, when I received mine, it was about five or six inches high, and it being the last of May, the weather was quite warm; so I planted it carefully in a rich place in the garden, giving it plenty of fertilizer. It soon began to grow, and also to bud, and I had Roses from it all summer.

When frosts came it was about one and one-half feet high, and had forty buds on it. I put it in a large bucket and wintered it in the cellar.

This fall, when I brought it in, it had several large buds which developed and blossomed, as I placed it by the kitchen window. When about to remove it to the cellar I discovered it had started to grow again, and, of course, that meant more buds, so I left it. Now there are three Roses past their beauty, and another just opening. The bush is now nearly two and one-half feet high. Mary B. Reeve.

Ashtabula Co., Ohio, Jan. 27, 1906.

[**NOTE.**—Francisca Kruger is really one of the best yellow Tea Roses for the amateur, whether for garden or house. It is of easy culture, hardy at the North with protection, robust in habit, and will thrive even under adverse conditions. It deserves a place in every collection.—Ed.]

Farfugium Grande.—It seems strange that this plant is so seldom seen. A well-grown specimen is as handsome a foliage plant, if not handsomer, than many requiring much more care, room and sun. The leaves, small and green at first, and standing upright on strong, reddish stems, rapidly grow until they are six, seven or more inches across, and so heavy that the stems are no longer upright. They are so thick they feel like leather, and yet have a soft, velvety texture to the touch. The green becomes darker and more vivid as they grow; and soon small, yellow spots appear, increasing in depth of coloring and size until they become the conspicuous feature of the plant, giving it its common name of Leopard Plant. Take its glossy brightness into consideration also, and what more could one expect in a leaf? Give it plenty of root room and water, good drainage, extremely rich soil, and wash its beautiful leaves, keeping them free from dust. I have mine potted in decayed manure from the cow stable—only this and nothing more—and it is lumpy, and an occasional bit of straw in it that has not yet decayed; but Farfugium is happy and growing, so its diet is certainly suitable. All of other plants are in rich garden soil and rotten wood, sifted and mixed with sand.

Subscriber.

Harford Co., Md., Nov. 24, 1906.



FLORAL MISCELLANY
THE TRUE STORY OF THE PRIVET.

DON'T let anyone delude you into buying plants of the California Privet. Why it is called California I have no idea, as it is not grown there. If you want a hedge, however, I know of nothing superior to the Privet.

It has a small waxy-green leaf, something like the Laurel leaf, but much smaller, grows compact, will live almost anywhere, and literally eats up alive anything that tries to grow near it. As a hedge, it can be clipped continually, and is a close mat of greenness. As I said before, if you want a hedge there is nothing superior to the Privet. In that case purchase it by the hundred, at \$4.00 per, but never let one single plant get away from you and grow into a shrub or tree, because it is literally covered in early summer with a small white blossom that emits an odor that will make you go back on your religion, abominate your very existence.

I really know of no growing thing that has the stench of blooming Privet. Bees shun it, and it is enough to make the very dogs and cats hate themselves.

People who have grown Privet into shrubs have them trimmed into all manners of queer shapes. When they are simply round tops I call them "gun swabs". Some go so far as to cut the tops into clumsy representations of—I call them ducks; I suppose they really mean to make "Noah's doves" of them. Perhaps they like such monstrosities. I don't; I like to see trees and shrubs grow as nature intends, then each has its own admirable individuality. My advice is, never plant a Privet except for a hedge.

Maude Merideth.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

[**N**OTE:—With all due respect to my esteemed correspondent I would say that the California Privet, in my opinion, makes a lovely specimen on the lawn. It bears its showy, fluffy plumes of small white flowers in midsummer, after most of the shrubs have ceased to bloom. These plumes, set against the mass of rich green foliage, give the plant a charming appearance. As to the odor, some people rather like it, and it is not sufficiently strong to be noticed, except when near at hand. To my mind there are few plants more desirable for grouping with shrubbery on the lawn, or to grow in a clump, or as single specimens.—Ed.]

An Insecticide.—If Castor-oil, instead of Kerosene oil, is used freely in the emulsion for Rose bushes and other infected plants, the extermination of the pests will be much more certain.

Mr. J. Everett Eaton.

Hartford Co., Conn., Aug. 1, 1906.

Gingko Tree.—We have a fine Gingko tree from Japan. The leaves are perfect little palm-leaf fans. It is the cleanest tree I ever saw—bugs, ants or other insects never touch it.

Mrs. R. Winter.

Riverside, Ohio, July 10, 1906.

FRONT-YARD ORNAMENTS.

LAST spring my husband drove four stakes at equal distances apart, forming a square. The sticks spread slightly at the top, and over these he placed a wire hoop, which held them in place, and also helped support an old tin bucket of rich earth. In this soil I planted a lovely green-and-white Vinca, Nasturtiums, and crowning all, a beautiful red Begonia. For a time the children called it "a pail on stilts", but now it is indeed a "thing of beauty". The pail is completely covered by the foliage, and it is always in sunshine or shadow, pretty to look at.

Mrs. J. E. Eaton.

Hartford Co., Conn., Aug. 1, 1906.

AFTER TYPHOID
The Insatiable Appetite Must Be Carefully Watched.

An attack of typhoid fever usually leaves one with an enormous appetite. The wasted body cries out for food material to repair the loss of body tissues.

If care is not used, the weakened digestive organs may be overwhelmed before they have become strong.

There is no food that has the tissue-building and energy-producing qualities equal to Grape-Nuts.

This food is predigested—the organs are relieved of the necessity of digesting it; it is concentrated—affording much nourishment with little bulk; contains all the essential food elements for repair and energy. It is therefore valuable under conditions of health as well as convalescence.

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FLORAL EXPERIENCE.

HERE are some of my successes and disappointments in raising flowers. In the summer of 1904 I planted a bed of Pansies. I think every seed grew. When winter came the plants were full of buds and flowers, and I had a frame made for it, covered with an old piece of carpet. Every warm spell some flowers would open, and when warm weather came the bed was lovely. Last fall I made another bed exactly the same, but all I have is six little, weakly plants. I don't know as I can winter them.

I bought a paper of Candytuft. When it bloomed it was almost exactly like Alyssum. Nothing like the lovely trusses of flowers in the catalogue.

I planted a paper of Ten Weeks Stock. The plants grew and grew until frost, but never showed any buds or flowers — just great bunches of green.

I have bought perennial seeds without number for two summers, planted them as directed, and have just as many as I had when I bought the first. I made different plantings in different places. Sometimes one or two sickly plants would come through and soon wither away. Now don't say or think I don't know how to raise flowers, for I have some lovely ones. I am going to try some more of the same kinds, as I hate to own myself beaten.

Mt. Pisgah, Ohio, Jan. 22, 1906. Mrs. L.L.

[NOTE.—It requires more patience to grow perennials from seeds than annuals. Few of them germinate in less than 20 or 30 days, and some require a year or more. Shrub seeds are even more tardy than perennial seeds. Sowing must be done in a bed that will not be disturbed, and unless artificial means are used to keep the bed moist and free from weeds, it must be cared for until the plants appear.—Ed.]

About Paulownia.—I have a full-grown Paulownia in my yard, about 35 or 40 feet high. It has in May the most beautiful, large branches of purple flowers ever seen. The bunch is composed of 25 or 30 flowers, lavender-purple with creamy to orange throats, and the odor from them is the most delightful I ever smelt. It is the odor of Violets, but 100 per cent. stronger, and as the flowers drop from time to time, the grass beneath is sprinkled thickly with them, and the atmosphere for a radius of at least 100 feet each way is permeated with the odor of Violets. You can raise them from seeds. The buds form in the fall. They are covered with a thick, velvety-brown covering or husk that drops in the spring, then come the flowers. I can go the editor one better in the size of leaves. A sucker sprang from this tree a couple of years ago, and, of course, it received the most nourishment; besides we sprinkled it plentifully with the hose. It was a sight. It grew in one season ten feet high, with leaves 26 inches across. I have three other small ones on my place. I think they are gorgeous in the fall. I had a man to dig and cut a portion of the root to which this sucker was attached, and plant it elsewhere and it is a fine tree now.

Mrs. R. Winter.

Riverside, Ohio, July 10, 1906.

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THIS shrub is perfectly hardy, and will prove a success wherever grown. In good soil it will attain a height of six feet, and is particularly desirable on account of blooming after most other flowering shrubs have ceased. It comes into bloom in August, and blooms until cold weather. Its immense panicles of bloom are of extreme beauty. When first opened they have a pinkish tinge, which changes to white, and finally to green. They should be kept well trimmed up.

M. Maud Wright.

Carrol Co., Ohio, Nov. 17, 1906.

BLUE BLOOD

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Wherever the idea that blue-blooded ancestry is the best may have originated, the fact is, physiologically speaking, blue blood is bad blood.

That is to say, the blood in the veins which is dark and appears blue through the white skin, is that portion of the blood stream laden with the waste of refuse material of the system, after the red blood (arterial) has carried real food to the tissues. "Red blood" is today the mark of Nature's aristocrat.

When from imperfect nutrition, the blood loses its rich red color and becomes dark or "blue" the result is cold hands and feet, and more or less palpitation of the heart, as well as general weakness. Coffee drinking, in many persons, causes blue blood and does not insure any coat-of-arms or ancient pedigree—except the ancient habit of coffee drinking itself. A "blue blooded" woman writes:

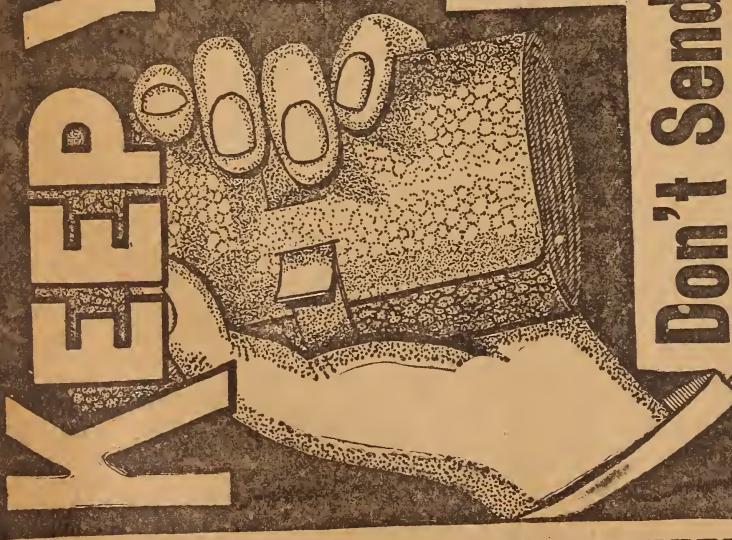
"I drank coffee for ten years, my head was dizzy, I had constant heartburn, could not sleep nights, my hands and feet were cold summer and winter, my blood was poor and thin (Blue Blood!).

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Artichoke, Jerusalem, tubers, 20 cents per pound, prepaid; by express at purchasers' expense, \$1.00 per peck, \$3.50 per bushel. The tubers are prolific, and excellent for pickles, also for feeding stock.

Artichoke, Purple French, and large Green Globe. A delicious French vegetable, the bracts of the immense flower-heads being boiled and used as Asparagus. Bears 2d year. Per packet 5 cents, oz. 30 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ pound \$1.00.

Asparagus, Palmetto, considered the best variety; large, early and of superior quality. Per packet 5 cents, oz. 10 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30 cents. Two-year-old roots \$1.75 per hundred, by mail.

Beans, Bush or Snap, Valentine Wax, Refugee, Early Green Pod, Black Wax, Early Mohawk. Per packet 5 cents, pint 20 cents, quart 35 cents.

Beans, Pole, Old Homestead, Lazy Wife, Best of All, Creaseback, Golden Cluster, Tennessee Wonder, Scarlet Runner. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 20 cts., qt. 35 cents.

Beans, Lima, Seibert's Early, Early Jersey, King of the Garden, Large White, also Burpee's bush. Packet 5 cents, pint 30 cents, quart 45 cents.

At the prices named these Beans will be delivered by mail. For larger quantities write for prices.

Beet, Early Bassano, Crosby's Egyptian, Crimson Globe, Eclipse, Edmand's Early, Long Blood Red, Swiss Chard. Packet 3 cents, oz. 5 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 12 cents, lb. 35 cents, by mail.

Beets, for stock. Golden Tankard, Mammoth Red, Mangel Wurzel, Vilmorin Improved Sugar. Oz. 5 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 12 cents, lb. 35 cents, mailed.

Borecole, Purple Caper. Per packet 5 cts., oz. 30 cents.

Cabbage, Early Jersey Wakefield, Early Spring, Redland, Early Drumhead, Dwarf Early Flat Dutch, Henderson's Early Summer, Early Winstadt, Charleston Early Wakefield, Drumhead Savoy, Late Surehead, Late Flat Dutch, Late Danish Ballhead, Autumn King, Late Red Drumhead. Packet 3 cts., oz. 12 cts. $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 40 cts., lb. \$1.50.

Carrot, Scarlet Horn, Chantenay, Long Orange, OXheart. Pkt. 3 cts., oz. 5 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 75 cents.

Cauliflower, Early Snowball, Veitch's Autumn. Per packet 10 cents, oz. \$2.00.

Celeri, White Plume, Pink Plume, Dwarf White-ribbed, Giant White Solid, Large Improved Paris, Golden Rose-ribbed, Golden Heart, Giant Paschal, Large Improved Paris. Per packet 5 cents, oz. 20 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cents, lb. \$2.00.

Chervil, curled. Per packet 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., lb. \$1.00.

Chicory, Large-rooted, leaves used as Salad; roots roasted and ground largely used as a substitute for coffee. Packet 5 cents, oz. 10 cents, lb. \$1.00.

Collards, Georgia Pinkhead, leaves cooked as substitute for Cabbage in the South. Per packet 5 cents, oz. 10 cents, lb. \$1.00.

Cress, curled, used as salad. Per packet 5 cents, oz. 10 cents, lb. \$1.00.

Corn, Early Giant, White Cory, Country Gentleman, Improved Evergreen Sugar. Two oz. packet 5 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 12 cents, pint 20 cents, quart 35 cents.

Corn for Popping. Two oz. packet 5 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. 20 cts.

Corn Salad, Large-leaved, grown in fall for winter and spring use, as substitute for Lettuce. Packet 5 cents, oz. 10 cents, lb. \$1.00.

Cucumber, Early White Spine, Jersey Pickle, Long Prolific Pickle, Long Green, Long Common. Pkt. 5 cents, oz. 15 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 35 cents, lb. \$1.00.

Dandelion, Large-leaved French, used as Early Greens. Packet 5 cents, oz. 25 cents.

Egg Plant, Early Delicatessen, New York Purple, Black Pekin. Packet 5 cents, oz. 35 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 1.25.

Endive, Golden curled. Packet 5 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cents. The leaves used for garnishing, also as greens.

Kale, Bloomsdale Double Curled. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts.

Kohlrabi, Early Purple Vienna, a choice sort, flesh white and delicate. Packet 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., lb. \$2.00. A vegetable with Cabbage-like flavor.

Lettuce, Big Boston, Boston Market, Golden Queen, Perfected Salamander, Marvel, New York, Improved Hanson, Paris White Cos. Packet 5 cents, oz. 8 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30 cents, lb. 1.00.

Muskmelon, Acme, Emerald Gem, Early Hackensack, Jenny Lind, Livingston's Tip Top, Rockyford. Per packet 5 cts., oz. 12 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 35 cents, lb. \$1.00.

Mustard, White London, for salads and garnishing when young. Per packet 5 cts., oz. 8 cts., lb. 60 cents.

Mushroom Spawn, fresh, lb. 20 cents, by mail; 8 lbs. \$1.00, expressed; not prepaid.

Nasturtium or Indian Cress, Giant Climbing, with large, varied flowers and large seeds which are fine for pickling. Mixed colors. Oz. 6 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cents, lb. 80 cents, mailed.

Okra, pods used for soups, stews, etc. Dwarf Prolific and Long Green. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 5 cts., lb. 50 cents.

Onion, Australian Brown, Wethersfield Red, Early Flat Red, Prize Taker, Silver Skin, White Portugal, Yellow Danvers, Southport Yellow Globe. Packet 5 cents, oz. 10 cents, lb. \$1.25.

Pepper, Columbus, Cayenne, Long Red, Long Yellow, Bell or Bull Nose, Ruby King, Chinese Giant, Cherry, Japan Cluster, Golden Dawn. Mixed. Packet 5 cents, oz. 20 cents, lb. \$2.00.

Parsley, Extra Curled, Champion Moss Curled, Beauty of Parterre. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 8 cts., lb. 75 cents.

Parsnip, Guernsey, decidedly the finest sort. Packet 5 cents, oz. 8 cents, lb. 50 cents.

Peas, Philadelphia Extra Early, Alaska, Bliss Everbearing, Abundance, Champion of England, Marrowfat, Melting Sugar. Packet 5 cents, $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 12 cents, pint 20 cents, quart 35 cents.

Potatoes, Bovée, Uncle Sam, Sir Walter Raleigh. Peck 75 cents, bushel \$2.00, barrel \$4.25, purchaser paying freight or express charges.

Pumpkin, Cheese, Connecticut Field. Packet 5 cents, oz. 8 cents, lb. 40 cents.

Radish, Early Long Scarlet, Early Scarlet Turnip, Long Scarlet White-tipped, French Breakfast, Golden Globe, White Strasburg, White Turnip, Long Cardinal, Chartier, White Icicle, California Mammoth White, Rose Winter. Packet 5 cts., oz. 8 cents, lb. 50 cents.

Rhubarb or Pie Plant, Victoria. Packet 5 cts., oz. 15 cents, lb. \$1.25.

Salsify, Mammoth Sandwich Island. Packet 5 cts., oz. 12 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30 cents, lb. \$1.00.

Spinach, Long Standing, Prickly Seeded, Victoria. Packet 5 cents, oz. 8 cents, lb. 35 cents.

Squash, Golden Summer Crookneck, White Bush Scallop, Extra Early Bush, Giant Summer Crookneck, Vegetable Marrow, Neapolitan, Vegetable Marrow, Delicata, Mammoth Chili, Hubbard, Fordhook, Yellow Mammoth Globe. Packet 5 cents, oz. 10 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cents, lb. \$1.00.

Turnip, Flat Dutch, Scarlet Kashmir, Extra Early White Milan, White Egg, Golden Ball, Red-top White Globe, Large Early Red-top Globe, Amber Globe, Orange Jade, Rutabaga Long Island Improved, Purple-top Rutabaga or Swede. Packet 5 cents, oz. 8 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cents, lb. 50 cents.

Tomato, Atlantic Prize, Improved Beauty, Earliana, Ignotum, Stone, Ponderosa, Golden Queen, Golden Trophy, Pear-shaped Yellow, Semperfruitiflora. Packet 5 cents, oz. 25 cents, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cents.

Watermelon, Coles Early, Phinneys Early, Early Fordhook, Saxon Early, Mountain Sweet, Kolb's Gem, Preserving Citron. Packet 3 cts., oz. 8 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cents.

Herbs, Anise, Large Green Sweet Basil, Bush Green Basil, Borage, Balm, Catnip, Coriander, Dill, Large Sweet Fennel, Hoarhound, Lavender, Pot Marjoram, Sweet Marjoram, Mustard, Rosemary, Winter Savory, Broad-leaved Sage, Summer Savory, Saffron, Tansy, Broad-leaved Thyme, French Summer Thyme, Tarragon, Wormwood. Per packet 5 cents, oz. 25 cents.

Miscellaneous.—Evergreen Broom Corn, 1 lb. mailed, 20 cents; 25 lbs. or more by express, not prepaid, 7 cts. per lb. Sunflower Russian, 1 lb. mailed, 20 cents; 25 lbs. or more by express, not prepaid, 7 cts. per lb. White Dutch Clover for Bee Pasture and Lawns. Oz. 6 cents, 1 lb. 50 cents.

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THOSE BIRD-CATS.

Dear Mr. Park:-

FOR SOME time past I have thought that I really must haul you over the coals on account of your proposed treatment of cats. I am a great lover of birds, and it grieves me much to see one killed, but we know that birds kill each other, and that boys are given guns and sling-shots for the purpose of killing everything they can. Would you put the man or the boy in a sack and put them in the mill-dam, knowing that they know better?

I have known of many people who are too superstitious to drown the kittens as soon as they are born, but let them live till they are half-grown, then carry them away and cast them out to steal their living. They think it brings them bad luck to kill the young kittens. A cat cannot always find a mouse when it is hungry. Cats that are treated in the right way are usually loving creatures. I used to keep them in confinement when the little wrens were learning to fly near the house.

Right here in this town, this week, are a lot of men and a great lot of dogs and rabbits. The rabbits are to be let out of a trap, and several dogs sent after them to tear them to pieces. And some of the people who delight in seeing such sights claim to be religious and refined. I mean no offense, Mr. Park, but I wish you would look at the matter in a different light. I do not think that cats are the birds' greatest enemies, by any means. Lettie.

Nebraska.



[ANS.—A cat that acquires the habit of hunting and killing birds rarely reforms. I believe in doing with them just as the farmers do with dogs that acquire the habit of killing sheep. The farmer will not let a sheep-dog live, neither should the good housewife let a bird-cat live. The sooner such a cat is bagged and put in the mill-pond the better will it be for the gardener, and the happier and more cheerful will be the world. How would you like to live in a country where there were no song-birds—where the only natural music heard was the awful and un-earthly spitting, squalling and yammering of a pack of worthless cats.

I have known persons to lose their temper and boot-jacks, boots and many other room articles in an attempt to quell such a disturbance. Our song-birds are becoming scarcer every year. It is true that cruel men and boys destroy many birds. In most States there is a bird law, making it an offense to kill an insectivorous bird, and the fine is usually \$5 for each offense. If the law was enforced a few times it would be as good as putting them in the mill-dam. But if such unmerciful subjects do not reform they will get their reward in another world—and it will be worse than the mill-dam. "Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy" and negatively Cursed (or damned) be

the unmerciful for they shall not obtain mercy.

My friends, the religion of a cruel man, refined or not, is not worth a straw. If men associate with dogs in deeds of cruelty they will in the end "go to the dogs." They will not go to the abode of the blest. They would not be at home in a place where divine love, kindness, compassion and beauty in every form prevailed.—ED.

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Mr. Park:—Kind Friend:—Your little Magazine has been a regular visitor at our house for the last fifteen years. We find it very helpful in the culture of flowers, and would be lost without it. It is quite different from other Magazines, as the descriptions of plants are truthful and not overdrawn.

Miss Neva G. Simms.

Macoupin Co., Ill., Nov. 7, 1906.

AS A PANSY BLOSSOM.

Faint from the sun's fierce heat,
At eve, with the kiss of the dew,
This Pansy blossom is fresh again,
And sweet as though 'twere new.

And so betwixt me and you,
O'er a desert of years, there yet
Comes a thought that is sweet as 'tis true,
Though I would, I could not forget.

Dec. 1, 1906. Victor Lauriston.

MAGAZINE APPRECIATED.

Mr. Park:—I have read your Magazine for 17 years, and like others who read its pages, I have gleaned untold benefit from it.

Mrs. C. V. Adams.

Cassia Co., Idaho, July 5, 1906.

Dear Mr. Park:—I have been a subscriber to your Magazine for about fifteen years, and have learned many valuable things about flower culture.

C. C. Rhoads.

Macoupin Co., Ill., Sept. 5, 1906.

Mr. Park:—I have good success with flowers, because I plant Park's Seeds and have been a long-time subscriber to Park's Floral Magazine.

Mrs. M. E. Palmer.

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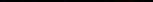
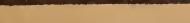
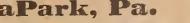
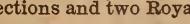
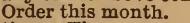
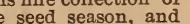
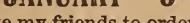
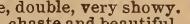
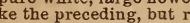
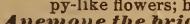
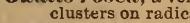
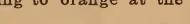
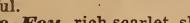
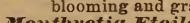
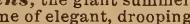
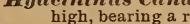
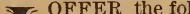
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Triteleia Uniflora, a hardy bulb from Buenos Ayres, leaves a foot long, grass-like; flowers white, tinted lavender. Beautiful in clumps.

Hyacinthus Candicans, the giant summer Hyacinth; grows two feet high, bearing a raceme of elegant, drooping white bells; hardy.

Sparaxis, new giant sort, grows a foot high, brilliant flowers, as shown in the little engraving; not hardy, but may be treated as Gladiolus.

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Montbretia Bouquet Parfait, lovely vermilion with yellow center; one of the most showy and handsome.

Montbretia Gerbe d'or, very fine racemes of golden yellow flowers; a splendid variety.

Montbretia Sulphurea, sulphur yellow, shaded; a choice sort, free-blooming and graceful.

Montbretia Etoile de Feu, rich scarlet, shading to orange at the center; hardy and fine.

Montbretia Pottsi Grandiflora, golden orange, flushed with red; elegant for vases.

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I have a root of Wild Lily, which has twenty-four stems, each stem surmounted by a crown of from five to eight gorgeously colored flowers, about as large as a Tiger Lily, the color being darker than the Tiger, almost bordering on a crimson red.

The Crimson Rambler Rose is putting out its flowers and will be a thing of beauty soon. I would like to tell how many clusters there are on it, but it would take a long time to count them. It is five years old. Elizabeth H. Coale.

Worcester Co., Mass., June 11, 1906.

Dear Floral Folks:—I notice a floral sister, Mrs. F., speaks of her husband's hoe spoiling her plants. I would say to her "Shake, sister, shake. Mine raked out all my Pansy plants." Of course our Editor knows better than to do such things, for he hoes in Paradise.

Ingersoll, Ont. Mrs. Thos. A. Bishop.

[NOTE:—Our friend alludes to LaPark, which is really a part of the delightful little village of Paradise. The editor may not have offended with his hoe, but you ought to have seen how some of his friends got after him with a sharp stick—no, a sharp pen—when he recommended the use of sack and stone and the mill dam to get rid of sneaking, worthless birds-cats.—ED.

Erie Co., Pa.

Gladys Marie Erb.
Lancaster Co., Pa.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl nine years old. I live in the country and go to school. Grandma and I both take your Magazine and like it. I like to read the Children's Corner. For pets I have six dolls.

Hazel Greenlee.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl eleven years old. I live in the country and go to school. I have one pet, a dog, and I call it Ring. My mamma takes your Magazine. I love flowers but my favorites are Pansies and Sweet Peas.

Grant Co., Wis.

Edna Frutiger.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl going to school. We take "Park's Floral Magazine" and like it very much. Mamma says although we haven't any place to put flowers, it would be good for me to learn about them.

Shiawassy Co., Mich.

Emily Nelson.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl eleven years old. Mamma is a lover of flowers and so am I. I like to read the Children's Corner. I have lots of sisters and brothers. I have a black pet cat named Niger.

Goodhue Co., Minn.

Edna Frutiger.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl nine years old, and my brother Garnie is six years old. Nettie is two years old. Annie is five months old; she is a little baby. My papa works on the railroad. I have sixteen cousins.

Blanch Eaton.

Dear Mr. Park:—Mamma has taken your Magazine for a number of years. My pet is a dog. The mocking birds have a nest out in the orchard, with two little eggs in it. We have a rose in bloom. Its name is Coquette de Lyon. I am a lover of flowers.

Roberta Flora.

Woods Co., Okla., June 6, 1906.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am very much interested in the Children's Corner. Those Easter Lily bulbs you sent us last fall are now about to bloom. We once had a very smart cat that was coal-black, which we named Blackey. Once there came a man around and Blackey became frightened and ran up my mamma's back, taking her for a tree. Another time Blackey tried to open the door by turning the knob, having seen others do the same. But later Blackey disappeared. I suppose he eloped with a neighbor's cat, and he never came back.

Emma Vassar (age 12).

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 30, 1906.

Dear Uncle George:—My mamma takes your Magazine, and I like your letter to the children. Say Uncle, wasn't that long-snouted old turtle you found funny? I wish you'd tell us a lot of stories about birds and flowers, and things in the woods. I'd like to walk in the woods with you, and have you tell me about them. I am ten years old. I like calves, and colts, and birds and flowers. Sweet Peas are the nicest.

Your Niece, Daisy-Rhodes.

Cowlitz Co., Wash., June 1, 1906.

[NOTE:—I am glad to hear from you, Daisy. But how did you know I was your uncle. Yes, that was a funny turtle. He amused the little girl who was looking at him, and he amused me. When I see him again I will tell you more about him. And about that ramble through the woods: I would enjoy it as much as you, and I should want all of my dear little readers with me. Every little bird and plant and stone has an interesting life history, if we could but know it. But enough is known to tell you a lot about them. Come again, and bring other little nieces and nephews with you, for all of my little floral friends may be called such.—ED.]

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Hants Co., N. S., Oct. 8, 1906.

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From the branches overhead,
And the birds have ceased their singing,
So we know that summer's fled.

List! the breeze is humming softly,
Winter comes with frown so drear;
But she tells us as she tarries,
That we need not have a fear.

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QUESTION AND ANSWER.

A Rose Pest.—Mr. Editor:—Some of our Roses, both Perpetuals and Teas, have been killed by a small pest which works at the roots. It is of a grayish color, and under the microscope it shows more legs than a centipede. As soon as touched they roll up like a ball, and play possum. They grow fat on sulphur, delight in lime water, and have no fear of tobacco. How shall I get rid of them.—Subscriber, New York.

[Ans.]—Make a thick flour paste and stir into it some paris green. Put this about where the pest is troublesome and it will soon disappear.—ED.

BRIEF ANSWERS.

Hydrangea.—The common Chinese Hydrangea is almost but not quite hardy at the North. Winter it in a cool room or cellar, watering sparingly till the sun begins to get warm, toward spring. Then it can be placed in the plant window and watered freely.

Primrose Treatment.—The Chinese Primrose likes a cool, moist atmosphere, and to be regularly watered. Plants mostly do better in tin cans than in pots, on account of the more even moisture of the soil in such vessels. An east window suits them well, though many persons are successful growing them in a north window. If a plant is not doing well in a pot it should be changed into a tin can. The change will soon be noticed in the more thrifty growth and bloom.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. Park:—I just wish you could have seen my flowers last summer. I had almost too many for the time I could spare them. They call me the "Old Flower Mother" around here. I am a farmer's wife, and have lots of work, but I love my flowers and enjoy your Magazine.

Nichols, Ia., Sept. 10, 1906.

M. J.

Dear Editor:—Enclosed please find 25 cts. for Magazine and flower seeds. We would not know all about our flowers if it were not for your Magazine. I love to read the Editor's notes, and correspondence from the flower-loving sisters, and gain much valued information. In my opinion floriculture is next to home culture. It is an old saying, "What is home without a baby," but I say "What is a home without flowers?" They are God's gift to beautify our homes.

Mrs. L. B. Rex.

La Salle Co., Ill., May 24, 1906.

Mr. Park:—I have taken your Magazine since 1895, and could not get along without it. I have many beautiful plants which I raised from seeds. I have a dear little girl four years old, whose name is Ruth, and she dearly loves flowers. She was much interested in the dolls represented in the September Magazine, and gathered flowers to make them.

I have a plant given me by a friend which has been in bloom all summer. It is a lovely plant. Enclosed you will find a flower and leaf of it, and I wish you would name it for me, as no one seems to know the name of it.

Mrs. L. Greenawald.

Defiance Co., Ohio, Sept. 25, 1906.

[Ans.]—The flower and leaf enclosed were of the large-flowered purple Achimene. It is an excellent summer-blooming Gesneraceous plant, produced from a little scaly, worm-like bulb. It blooms freely, and is easily grown either in baskets, pans or pots.—ED.

Mr. Park:—I love to read your little Magazine, and it is a great help to me. I am past 70 years of age, but love to work among the flowers, and I have a great many, but always want more. I would like to exchange with some of the Floral Band, and get some Cactus plants. I have a Night-Blooming Cereus, and it is grand.

Mrs. A. C. Watson.

Jackson Co., Mich., Sept. 18, 1906.

Dear Mr. Park:—I here give you a description of a border on the east side of my lawn. I have been told repeatedly that it is the prettiest bed of flowers in Central Pennsylvania. It is 60 feet long. The three back rows are Cannas Bouvier and David Harum; then three rows, Salvia, Bonfire; three rows of Scarlet Geraniums next, and two rows of Dwarf Zinnias. In front, Jacqueline and Little Red Riding Hood. Back of this border is about $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acre of Dahlias, about 50 choice varieties, and one of these is a very pretty pink and white Decorative Dahlia that attracts much attention. It was grown from a packet of Cactus Dahlia seeds purchased from you last year. I have made a specialty of Dahlias for a good many years, and if I could only have 12 varieties I would take Kremhilde, Brunhilde, Gen. Butler, Countess of Honsdale, Matchless (cactus), Winsome, Penelope, Olympia, Eloise, Grand Duke Alexis, Wm. Agnew and Queen Victoria.

C. M. Shooter.

Clearfield Co., Pa., Sept. 14, 1906.

In Louisiana.—Dear Mr. Park:—Here in Louisiana we have to be planting so many of our seeds now, for if the plants are not ready to bloom by the first of March, they burn up and never amount to much. Pansies should begin blooming at Christmas, and so many of our annuals are hardy as little plants, Phlox, Petunias, Verbenas, Caliopsis, Larkspurs, and others are up now from self-sown seeds, and will be in bloom when our Northern sisters are still wearing furs.

Mrs. L. B. Riggs.

Balvair Range, La., Nov. 2, 1906.

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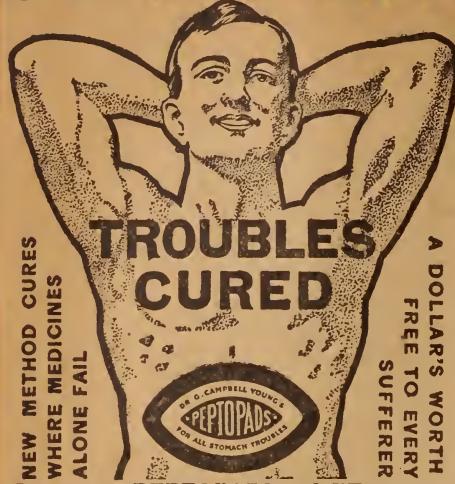
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Albert E. Vassar.

St. Louis, Mo., June 29, 1906.

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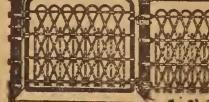
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Warren Co., N. J.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl nine years old, and live on a large farm. I love flowers. Sweet Peas are my choice. For pets I have a sheep named Blonty; a colt named Jack, and a dog, Major. I have four dolls, Susie, Vergie, Mamie and Lettie. We take your Magazine and I love it very much. Bettie B. Barker.

Monroe Co., W. Va.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl ten years old, and live on the bank of two lakes, named Adam and Eve. I am taking music lessons. I help to raise poultry, and like to read the Children's Corner. I love flowers. Mamma has taken your Magazine ten years. Hazel Baker.

Lagrange Co., Ind.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am 13 years old, and live on the farm. I have 3 sisters and 3 brothers. My little sister has 4 kitties and 3 cats. I live 2 miles from town. I am going to school and am in the fourth reader. We have 7 horses and 1 colt. Susie Bevins.

Crawford Co., Kan., Aug. 6, 1906.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl 10 years old, live in the country and go to a country school. I live one mile from the school house. I like to go to school, and am in the sixth grade. Have a cat, 5 dolls, some chickens and a calf. I take your paper. I have 3 flower beds, and like flowers, also like to read Children's Corner. Gladys Cochrane.

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Mr. Park:—We succeeded at last in raising a Golden-rayed Japan Lily—thanks to your directions. Our success was due to your advice. * * * One of the Tigridias came up and blossomed—a red one. I never saw one before, and I wanted to show it to some of my friends, but it did not give me a chance. It only lasted one day. I did not know they were so short lived.

Mrs. G. E. Brahams.

Orange Co., N. Y., Sept. 9, 1906.

Dear Sisters:—For several years I have been trying to get a White Cactus Dahlia which would equal the colored ones, Clifford Brinton and Wm. Agnew. Last spring, in my plant order, I asked for "Green's White," thinking from the description it would be the right one. It has turned out a freak, the flowers being green. Growing in the same row with other Dahlias five and six feet tall, it has only reached about three feet, and has been a great disappointment.

Aunt Susie. Beaver Co., Pa., Sept. 24, 1906.

Dear Floral Friends:—I have a double, dwarf, dark red Geranium that has been in bloom for two years, except when it was frozen last winter. Is that not good for a little slip? I like Geraniums, and when the plants can be so easily started from seeds, costing but 3 cents per packet, they are inexpensive.

For years I have tried to raise Cyclamen, but without success until last spring. I now have three thrifty plants raised from a 3-cent packet of seeds. Of course I am expecting great things from them in the way of blossoms.

While raising flowers is a great pleasure to the true flower-lover, young and old, I think from experience, that those of us who have to put on our "specs" to see to pick off the bugs get the most satisfaction from them. Don't you?

I kept a Little Gem Calla for years, and all the good it did was to increase, which it did very fast. But last fall, when I brought my plants in I concluded to let it winter on the porch, and it is there yet. I think it will be "all right" by spring.

Mrs. L. Barger. Taney Co., Mo., Feb. 3, 1906.

Dear Floral Band:—Did you ever come in contact with the "Nabby," addicted to the trailing skirt. Sweep, sweep, down go little tender plants, and the heads off of flowers! If you remind her that her dress is gathering up the dirt, she hitches it up on one side, which gives the other side a chance to mow down whatever happens in its way. She is bound to destroy something before she gets out of the garden.

Another style of Nabby that I am well acquainted with, is the one you divide with every year, and if you should happen to get out of a variety, she wouldn't give you back a slip, or seeds, to hardly save your life. I had such beautiful Double Portulacas last year, and I gave one of this style of Nabby a goodly portion of seeds. This spring the sparrows ate mine as fast as they came up, and I knew she had plenty of little plants. So I asked her for a start, telling her about the birds destroying mine; and this is the cold crumb of comfort she gave me: "Yew'd ort to watched 'em closter; Tha wood hev et mine too, if I hed ben so keerless." Her's were in a box in the house, so perhaps that is the reason the birds did not eat her's.

Have any of the Band ever noticed the uncanny movements of the big plant called Elephant's Ear? They quite frighten me after dark. Just touch a leaf and see it sway exactly like the enormous beast it is named after, and they seem to be reaching out after you as though they would catch you. Touch a leaf after night and see. Pull it towards you and then let go, and you will be ready to run.

I wonder why my Cobaea Scandens did not bloom this summer? I wintered it, and it had an early start.

Flower lover in Ole Kaintuck.

Campbell Co., Ky., Sept. 14, 1906.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

California Plants.—C. R. Orcutt, of San Diego, Cal., is issuing a work on California Plants, to be completed in 12 parts, each part containing descriptions of about 100 species of native trees and flowers. Persons interested can address him.

Big Leaves.—Mrs. Palmer, of Des Moines, Iowa, under date of Sept. 20, 1906, reports a Nasturtium leaf $6\frac{1}{4}$ inches across, borne on a stem 21 inches long; and a common Morning Glory leaf 7 inches across, borne on a stem 12 inches long.

A Gladiolus Specialist.—It is not often that we find among amateur florists such a collection of Gladiolus as Mr. Geo. S. Woodruff, of Independence, Iowa, has. Of one section of the Groff hybrids he had last year over 700 distinct varieties, some of which were of superior merit. Persons interested in choice varieties and improvements in Gladiolus should communicate with Mr. Woodruff. His experience with this popular flower is interesting, and reveals much valuable information concerning the new hybrids and their culture.

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